# <u>House & Senate Bills Enacted into Law</u> Pupil Transportation Related Laws for 2018

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#### PA-233 (HB-4054), 257.1812, Driver Alert System

Provides a Driver Alert System – a lighted message board on the back of school buses, the message informs motorists about what to do, when to do it, and why do it when stopping for stopped school buses.





Law added MCL 257.1812 to the Pupil Transportation Act

#### PA-422 (HB-6028) Pupil Trans Act Revisions

Revisions to the Pupil Transportation Act, PA-187 of 1990.

Pupil Transportation Act:

257.1811 – deletes school bus radio speaker position

257.1833 – Paint, identifies what a yellow and black school bus may be used

257.1851 – Allows for basic fleet management course to certify new transportation supervisors

257.1855 – Allows for a hazard warning stop on the roadway if the speed limit is 50 mph or less

257.1865 – Allow school bus fleets to charge for transportation of attendees of an activity, event,

or outing sponsored by a nonprofit organization

#### PA-273 (SB-915), Mich Vehicle Code Revisions

Revisions to the Michigan Vehicle Code, PA-300 of 1949

257.717 – Include school buses in the list of vehicle that may be 102 inches wide

257.722 - Exempts school buses from Michigan's "Frost Law"

#### PA-672 (SB-906), 205.54a Tax Exemption

Exempts from sales tax the purchase or *lease* of a *school bus* or transportation-related services if the bus or services are primarily used in the performance of a contract entered into with a *school* for the transportation of students to or from school or school-related events authorized by the school's administration.

#### PA-678 (SB-907), 205.94 Sales Tax Exemption

Amend the Use Tax Act to exempt from taxation under this Act the purchase, sale, or lease of a school bus or transportation-related services, including parts, if the school bus or services were used to transport pupils to or from a school or school-related events.

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### PA-586 (SB-149), 388.1674a, School Bus Safety & Security funding

Provide through the State School Aid Act \$810,000 to provide Michigan's school bus drivers "Proactive Response Training for School Bus Drivers" to thwart an active shooter, someone from entering a school bus, or stopping it progress.

## PA-482 (SB-1225), 38.1361 Transportation Services Retirement Updates

Amends the Public School Employees Retirement Act to allow retirees who perform custodial, food, or transportation services to retain their retirement allowances and health benefits, as those services would be classified as non-core services in accordance with current practice.

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